



HOME RUN DERBY @ Godwin Stadium



AUGUST 7TH @ GODWIN STADIUM

Eligibility: Entrants and pitchers must be registered players who have paid the entry fee. Each entrant and pitcher must sign in before the Derby begins.

Entry Fee: \$15 per Hitting Entrant, \$20 for non CMBL registered players

Prize: 50% of Entry fees per Age Group (18+ and 48+) will go to winners (75% to winner, 25% to runner up) plus Bragging Rights and an Official Carolina Mens Baseball League Home Run Champ Certificate

RULES

- 1. Equipment:** Only Wood Bats acceptable under CMBL Rules may be used. Each Entrant must supply his own bat(s). Baseballs to be supplied by the CMBL.
- 2. Pitchers:** Each Entrant must supply his own pitcher. A pitcher may not be replaced once the competition begins, unless in the nonreviewable opinion of the judges the pitcher is unable to continue due to injury.

- 3. Pitching:** Pitchers must throw legal pitches from the pitching rubber with an L screen in front of them.
- 4. Home Runs:** A Home Run consists of hitting a pitched ball over the fence in fair territory or hitting a fair ball over the Home Run chalk line put on the field by the League.
- 5. Swings:** Each Entrant will be given 10 swings per Round. A swing consists of an attempt to strike a pitched ball OR the failure to swing at five (5) consecutive pitches. A missed swing, foul ball or foul tip constitutes a swing.
- 6. Judges:** A panel of Judges will record the number of Home Runs and swings per contestant. In addition, they shall determine all questions or disputes, e.g., fair or foul, legality of equipment, etc. The Judges' determinations shall be final.
- 7. Age Group:** The competition shall be divided according to Age Groups – 18+ and 48+.

COMPETITION FORMAT

- 1. Opening Round:*** (a) Each Entrant will get 10 outs to hit as many Home Runs as possible. An Out is registered when an Entrant swings and does not hit a Home Run.
(b) Order of hitting will be determined alphabetically by last name.
(c) The top five Entrants with the most Home Runs in an Age Group will advance to the next Round. In case of a tie, there will be a three out hit-off, with the Entrant with the greater number of Home Runs advancing. If no Home Runs are hit during the hit-off, none of the tied Entrants shall advance.
- 2. Semi-Final Round:** (a) Each Entrant will get 10 outs in each round to hit as many Home Runs as possible. An Out is registered when an Entrant swings and does not hit a Home Run.
(b) Order of Hitting will be determined in reverse order of tally in Opening Round (player with the most Home Runs hits last).
(c) The two Entrants in each Age Group with the highest number of Home Runs in the first two Rounds will advance to the Championship round. Home Run totals from the Opening Round carry over to the Semi-Final Round, but do not carry over to the Championship Round.
- 3. Championship Round:** (a) Each Entrant will get 10 outs to hit as many Home Runs as possible. An Out is registered when an Entrant swings and does not hit a Home Run; (b) the finalists will bat in reverse order of total Home Runs in the first two rounds.

(c) The Entrant in each Age Group who hits the most Home Runs in the Championship Round is declared the Home Run Derby Champion.

(d) Championship Tie-Breaker: If the two finalists hit the same number of Home Runs in the Championship Round, there will be a three out hit-off, with the Entrant with the greater number of Home Runs winning. If there is no winner after this hit-off, there will be a “Home Run Derby Showdown”.

(e) Home Run Derby Showdown: The Entrants will hit in the same order as in the Championship Round. Each player will get one swing. If one Entrant hits a Home Run and the other does not, the Entrant who hits a Home Run is the Champion. If they both hit Home Runs or neither hits a Home Run, the process will continue until one Entrant hits a Home Run and the other makes an out.



***Starting time for Home Run Derby will be determined based on number of entrants. Stay tuned to website for further details.**